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## FOREWORD

Black locust (Robinia pseudoacacia L.) is a tree uniquely suited to planting on poor sites such as "worn out" and eroded land and strip-mine banks. It survives well, grows fast, improves the site by fixing nitrogen in the soil, and is unusually decay resistant. Because of all this, black locust has been planted widely in this country, in Europe, and throughout the world. As would be expected, its popularity has resulted in a large mass of literature over the years.

We have tried to assemble all technical, English-language literature dealing with black locust published in the past 40 years. Textbooks and some popular articles were intentionally omitted. Foreign-language material is included on an admittedly subjective basis: Most of what we have listed has been published in the past 15 years and either summarizes results of foreign locust culture or is otherwise significant.

We would be glad to have readers call our attention to any errors in the list and would also welcome any suggested additions that might be included in a future revised version.



LEFT: The locust borer is black locust's most destructive enemy.

BELOW: Because of its strength and durability, black locust is a favorite species for fence posts in the Central States.



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